

LOCAL "ALLSTARS" WON OUT OVER RYLEY IN ONE OF FASTEST GAMES YET SEEN HERE

Score Stood 9-2 at Close of Game -- Isteed Made Most Spectacular Play of Match -- Local Boys Loud in their Praise of Ryley Players

In one of the best games ever seen on local ice, the Ryley hockey team went down to defeat here on Friday afternoon in the first game of the G. T. P. Amateur League series. Although the game was a trifle rough at times, it was nevertheless fast from start to finish. "Billy" Isteed easily played the star game of the day for the local "Allstars" and upheld his reputation as one of the fastest and cleanest players ever seen on local ice. Isteed is a swift skater and has a strong shot. At times, however, he shows a tendency to attempt too many individual plays, although he generally pulls them off successfully. For the local aggregation, Ferguson, Carl Isteed, Lally and Trenouth all showed up well.

The first goal was scored by Ferguson on a good rush for the Ryley net, just one minute and a half after the referee's bell rang. This was followed by another, the disc being again lodged in the net by Ferguson. The local boys showed a tendency to lag and the next two counters, and the only points in the Ryley's favor, were then scored in rapid succession by Bendickson, who played a fast game for the losers. At half time, the score stood at 4-2 in Wainwright's favor, two goals being scored by Bill Isteed and Trenouth. The first of these two goals was made after one of the most spectacular plays seen here. Isteed pinned the puck in Wainwright territory and started for the Ryley net. Passing Bendickson at centre and Johnson at cover, he was faced by Bendickson at point. But having passed the entire team, it was little trouble for Billy to glide past point. Score number 3 followed and Isteed was cheered from the sidelines. It was a fine play and the fans appreciated it. Even the few G. T. P. men, who showed a tendency to root for Ryley, were forced to join in the cheering.

The second half was almost as exciting to witness as the first. The local team showed

signs of weariness and were slow in following up. This, however, did not prevent more scores being made and in this half Ryley was treated to a shutout. Billy Isteed again held the train of the spectators' gaze and slammed the puck in the net for another of the five scores made. Ferguson also scored in this half as also did Lally and Saunders, the latter making two, on passes from Isteed and Ferguson. During almost the entire half the puck was in Ryley's territory and had it not been for the fact that the Ryley goal tender, Bendickson, was a veritable stone wall, the score would have been much greater. "Charlie" Smith, who held his position in the Allstars' nets, was given little work to do.

An amusing feature in the second half was the penalty handed out to Ferguson. Hillrood, who played right wing for Ryley, had the puck and Carl Isteed made a swipe at his stick. It struck the blade and, sliding up the handle, struck Hillrood in the face. Ferguson, who was also in the mixup, was given a three minute rest for no offence of his and a pure accident on the part of Isteed.

The local boys are loud in their praise of the Ryley team and state that they are a fine bunch of sports. One thing which appended to the spectators was the fact that they played a good, clean game from start to finish. They accepted defeat in good grace and won a place in the respect of all local fans. Archer, who played left wing, was an aggressive player and was marked by Ferguson, who showed no inclination to mix it up. The Ryley team is composed of three brothers named Bendickson and they played star hockey throughout the game.

The final score of 9-2 augurs well for the success of the local team and, from the showing they made on Friday, the boys should have the support of all local fans, included in winter should be the G. T. P. rosters.

STATION AT RYLEY DESTROYED BY FIRE

Origin of Fire Unknown and Loss is Estimated at \$6,000

The G. T. P. station at Ryley was destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening last. During the fire, two barrels of gasoline, which were stored in the building, exploded and made the fire a hard one to contend with. The origin of the fire is a mystery and the loss is roughly estimated at between six and ten thousand dollars. A large number of express parcels and freight were destroyed in the fire.

TWO APPLICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF G.T.P. HOTEL LOTS

Understood that M. L. Forster and Another Local Man Want these Lots

It is an understood fact that at least two tenders for the purchase of lots 1 to 5, block 5, which have been advertised for tender for the past two weeks, have been mailed to Mr. G. U. Ryley, Land Commissioner for the G. T. P. It is almost definitely known that Mr. M. L. Forster, formerly proprietor of the Wainwright Hotel, is one of the tenderers, and the other is thought to be a local party also.

Tenders for the purchase of these lots, on which a hotel must be erected within a year from February 1st, close on January 8th.

MEETING TO FORM YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

A meeting of the young men of the town is called for Thursday night next when their club will be reorganized. The organization has been dormant for the past year or so, because no club rooms were available. Mr. S. E. James is president of the club and N. E. Cook, vice-president. The meeting will be held in the STAR office, commencing at 9 o'clock sharp.

KNIGHTS OF BESOM ENJOY PASTIME AT THE ROARIN' GAME

Schedule of Games Drawn Up and Matches Are Being Enjoyed

The Knights of Besom are enjoying themselves to their heart's content these days at the curling rink and exciting are the games being played each night. A schedule of games has been drawn up for the season. These are being played in prominent places throughout the town and a pleasant time for the winter is assured those who enjoy the "roarin' game."

"T'WAS REALLY SAD" There was a man in our town And he was wondrous wise; He swore (it was his policy) He would not advertise. But one sad day he advertised, And thereby hangs a tale, The ad. was set in quite small type And headed "Sheriff's Sale."

Miss C. Belcher was a visitor to Winnipeg and other points in Manitoba during Christmas week, returning here on Sunday.

PART OF STEEL ORDERED FOR BRANCH LINE

Definite Information Says that 90 Miles of Steel Are on Order for Battleford Branch

3 DIFFERENT ROUTES

Construction will Start in the Spring and Line Completed Next Summer

THE PROBABLE COURSE

Steel will Likely Enter Town in Vicinity of East Switch

From a source, which is looked upon by certain citizens who know, as being official and definite, it is announced that ninety miles of steel have been ordered by the G. T. P. for the branch line from Battleford to Wainwright and that the work will be started in the spring. This amount of rails will bring the steel within thirty-five miles of the town, and to a point from which three separate survey lines start into Wainwright.

The first two circle Baxter Lake on the north and south, while the other, which is looked upon as the most feasible route, crosses Baxter Lake at what is commonly known as the "Narrows." Any of these routes assure the line is coming into this town and it is thought from the information that certain railway men have given out that the latter has already been selected.

Where the steel will enter the town is uncertain. Unofficial reports state that it will connect with the main line of the G. T. P. near the East wye and it would appear from topographical conditions that this would be the most feasible point at which to effect an entrance.

TOWN COUNCIL WINDS UP UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Financial Matters and Partial Settlement of Flour Mill Loan Deal with

THE FINAL MEETING

Mayor and Two Councillors now Retire from Municipal Politics

Yesterday afternoon's meeting of the town council was adjourned until this morning, when all unfinished business for the year was satisfactorily attended to. The chief matter dealt with was the arrangement for financial requirements. The mill situation and the deadlock, which has existed between Mr. C. E. Bird and the town for some time past, was also dispensed with satisfactorily.

This morning's meeting marks the close of the terms of Mayor Pauling and Councillors Musson and Crawford, who will now cease to be officially interested in municipal matters. All outstanding accounts, together with arrangements for satisfactory settlement in connection with the fire hall, were also dealt with and finally disposed of.

BOND FOR ACCUSED WOMAN INCREASED

Authorities Increase Amount of Bail from \$2,000 to \$7,000

It is understood that Mrs. Mary King, who was sent up for trial by Justice of the Peace Ross, is now detained in Calgary by the police authorities and that efforts to arrange a satisfactory bail have not been entirely successful. The unfortunate young woman is not being held on \$2,000 bail as was first stated through these columns for it is now reported that the amount of bail has been fixed at \$7,000.

WHEELS OF FLOUR MILL START TURNING TOMORROW

Satisfactory Settlement Made this Morning with Town

Wainwright's \$25,000 flour mill will start for the first time tomorrow morning, and from a preliminary test made of the running parts of the machinery yesterday, it is expected that such and every wheel will turn with the same symmetry with which the mill has been constructed.

Interviewed by the STAR yesterday, Manager Diefenbach stated that everything was in readiness as soon as the town arrived at a decision as to what would be done about the agreement and its fulfillment with Mr. C. E. Bird. This was disposed of this morning and, although no flour will be made tomorrow, the process of grinding the first bushel of wheat will become an accomplished fact.

HOSPITAL GUILD

The ladies of the town will meet in the council chamber on Monday afternoon next at 4 o'clock to discuss matters in connection with the Hospital guild, which organization has recently been formed. The furnishing of a future hospital will be considered. A full attendance is urgently requested.

THE NAUGHTY BUFFALO

Readers of these columns will note that nothing in connection with the removal of the buffalo from this point appears in this issue. In view of the general interest which is being manifested in this agitation, subscribers are asked to exercise their patience until next week, when articles, bearing on both sides of the question, will appear.

FREQUENT ADJOURNMENTS

If for no other reason than the many and frequent adjournments, in connection with the charge for alleged disorderly conduct by a prominent citizen on the evening of election day, the hearing being given before J. P. Ross is proving intensely interesting.

IN EXPLANATION

In the "story of the game between the town hockey team and the G. T. P. aggregation, which was reported through these columns last week, it was stated that the rough work was due to the fact that players on both teams had a certain amount of liquid refreshment aboard. This was reported to the STAR by a spectator, whom we thought was in a position to judge. No representative of the STAR was present to report the match, and we think that the explanation was used to describe a certain player on the town team more than any who played with the G. T. P. boys.

PROBABLE LINEUP OF CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES IN 1913 COUNCIL BOARD

Councillor W. E. Mills will Likely be Retained as Chairman of Finance, Councillor Beaudry of Property, While Coun. Snyder May Succeed Coun. Musson

WHAT the new lineup of the council will be remains in doubt at the present time and, with the exception of Coun. W. E. Mills, who will undoubtedly act as chairman of Finance, nothing definite is known of the slate which is thought to be drawn up even at this time. Coun. Mills has had the experience of more than two years as chairman of the finance committee and it is not likely that he will be selected to take the chairmanship of any other committee. Coun. Snyder, who has been chairman of health, parks and cemeteries for the past year, will likely have charge of the committee of which Ex-Coun. Musson was chairman; viz., Fire, Water and Light. Coun. Bowerman is looked upon as a likely man for the health committee.

The chief difficulty will no doubt be encountered in the selection of a capable man for public works and Coun. Deverson is looked upon as the likely choice for this important committee. Coun. Beaudry will in all probability remain as chairman of the property committee. Coun. A. E. Mills will probably be selected to fill Ex-Coun. Lally's office as chairman of the by-law committee.

It is not known what choice has been decided on, although it is understood that a preliminary slate has already been drawn in the above mentioned manner.

IMPORTANCE OF BOARD OF TRADE DEMANDS THAT CAPABLE MEN BE SELECTED AS OFFICERS

President James, Vice President N. E. Cook and Secretary King Firm in Stating that they will not Seek Office or Take Official Part in 1913 Board

ONCE again are the citizens, and especially local businessmen, reminded of the fact that the election for board of trade officers will take place next month and in this connection it is imperative that suitable men are selected for this several offices, about to be vacated. President James asserts that he will not stand again. The same is true of Secretary King and Vice-President N. E. Cook, both of whom make similar declarations taking any official part in board of trade work.

The board of trade in any western town, and especially in a community of Wainwright's importance, is a most necessary factor and the real value of what such an organization is capable of doing for the town cannot easily be estimated. In fact in the majority of cases, the value of a board of trade is almost invariably looked upon as being inconsiderable. But those who sat on last year's board have facts and figures which will deny this supposition and these facts will undoubtedly be submitted when the proper time comes by the officers who are now withdrawing.

It is the bounden duty of the businessmen to select a new set of officers for 1913 and in making the choice it should be borne in mind that the strongest men possible should be elected. Wainwright's board of trade should play an important part next year.

RAILING ON SIDEWALK

Pedestrians, who are in the habit of travelling along Main St., observe with considerable satisfaction that a railing has been placed along the plank sidewalk, leading to the Elite Theatre. This action on the part of the council must be appreciated.

REMOVES TO VICTORIA

Mr. J. Burt Morgan, who is connected with the Great West Life Insurance Co., and who is well known here, has been transferred from Edmonton to Victoria, where he will reside in future. Mr. Morgan owns a quarter section of land in this vicinity.

IS ANYONE WISE

A Wainwright party, consisting of Miss Anna Moffatt, Miss Sime, Wm. Isteed and Ernie Davis, visited Chauvin between trains on Sunday last. A considerable amount of rice was noticed about them, but full particulars have thus far been unobtainable. — Chauvin Gazette.

MR. MCLEAN GOES EAST

Mr. W. J. McLean, formerly principal of the local school, left here on Sunday for Minneapolis, where he will visit friends for a short time. He will go as far east as Toronto, where he will stand certain examinations to qualify for a position for which he has been selected.

FIVE YEAR COUNCILLOR

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Emery and daughter, Gertrude, of Tolfield, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. James Ward. Mr. Emery has been on the Tolfield council board for the past five years and is retiring this year. They were accompanied by Mr. Emery's father, Mr. Lewis Emery, of Eden Grove, Ont.

SEES MANY CHANGES

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. McLeod of Sobois, Maine, are visiting their son, Postmaster H. W. McLeod. It has been about eighteen months since Mr. McLeod last visited here and he now sees many changes, showing the progress of the town since then.

LEAP YEAR BALL TONIGHT

It is expected that the leap year ball to be given tonight by the young ladies of the town will be of a brilliant character. This is the second leap year ball during 1912 and a large number of invitations have been mailed.

FAMILY REUNION

A family reunion is being held today at Regina by the brothers, sisters and parents of Mr. Fred Small, who, together with his brother, Wesley, is in that city. Members of the family have not been together for ten years past.

LUCKY TICKET HOLDER

Mr. A. Cully held the lucky ticket in the draw for a suit of clothes which took place at the store of the G. H. Beaudry Co. & Bissons' on Saturday evening last. Mr. W. J. Musson held the lucky ticket the week previous.

BOUNCING BABY SON

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gano was gladdened on December 13th, by the arrival of a bouncing baby son, and those, who have noticed it, can now understand the meaning of the smile, which the happy father has been wearing.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

It is officially announced that the Rev. J. A. Newnham, M. A., B. D., Bishop of Saskatchewan, will conduct a confirmation service in St. Thomas' church on Sunday, January 19th. Rev. Mr. Newnham will preach at both services on that day.

A GOOD TOWN HE SAYS

Mr. John Munner returned here from Dakota on yesterday's express. On his return here, he expressed satisfaction that he resided in such a good town as Wainwright. His wife, who is also in Dakota, will return in the spring.

TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

On Monday next, at 11 o'clock in the morning, the new mayor and councillors will be sworn into office by Secretary N. S. Kenny. The procedure is pursuant to a formal one when new councillors take over their duties of office.

YOUR RHEUMATISM

is probably due to uric acid in the system—the blood must be purified—the poisonous acid driven out and general health must be improved.

Thousands testify that Scott's Emulsion aids the system of poisonous acid by enriching the impoverished blood, and its concentrated nourishment is converted into red blood corpuscles which drive out rheumatism.

It is especially valuable to aged people.

Ask for and insist on SCOTT'S.

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A Scotch Courtship

A lady was one day approached by her Scotch maid with the information that she was about to leave.

What is the cause of this sudden decision, Mary?

I think I'll be marrying.

Indeed, and whom, may I ask?

The man that sits across in the Kirk.

But what is his name?

I dinna kin.

What! You're surely not engaged to a man whose name you do not know?

Not engaged, my lady, but he's been long looking at me, and I think he'll soon be speaking.

Seafaring men on the Fifth of March are greatly interested in a whole lot of things.

When an approaching ship sounds its horn, the whole proceeds down the Fifth, swims round it and finally proceeds it until its destination is reached.

So you're engaged to Miss Oldcash, Mary?

Yes, that's me, said Percy gloomily.

Then, well, old man, continued Agnes, I really scarcely know how to congratulate you or not.

What a very exciting old dance, at which she's got plenty of coin. You'll have to give up theatre, you know, and also singing and drinking, if you marry her.

That's all very well, said Percy bitterly, but the point is this—if I don't marry her I shall have to give up eating!

The Wires All Carry The Same Message—"I Want WINDSOR TABLE SALT"

You have got to use some kind of salt on the table. You must use salt in your cooking and baking.

Are you using the best salt—WINDSOR TABLE SALT?

It's the little things that count. It's Windsor salt, that will help you to make delicious dishes and flavor food as it should be flavored. WINDSOR SALT is pure and fine and good.

To our silent heroes, little Willie read from the memoirs of his father, Pa, what are silent heroes?

Married men, said Pa.

MOTHER OF LARGE FAMILY

Tells How She Keeps Her Health—Happiness For Those Who Take Her Advice.

Scottville, Mich.—"I want to tell you how much good Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done me. I live on a farm and have worried very hard. I am forty-five years old and am the mother of thirteen children. Many people think it strange that I am not broken down with hard work and the care of my family."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and that there will be no backache and bearing down pains for them if they will take it as I have. I am scarcely over without it in the house."

"I will say also that I think there is no better medicine to be found than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for painful periods and irregularity, and it has helped her."

"I am always ready and willing to speak a good word for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I tell every one I meet that I have my health and happiness to my wonderful friend, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it has helped her."

—Mrs. J. G. JONSON, Scottville, Mich., R. F. D. 2.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs, contains no narcotics or harmful drugs, and today holds the record of being the most successful remedy for woman's ills known.

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How Dare You

A party of four just returning from a theatre called in at a fashionable restaurant. The girl old maid who was the guest of the evening, was charming with everything—especially the music. While the waiter was standing by the table she asked him to find out the title of the piece the orchestra was playing. The willing waiter promised, but other duties claimed him for a moment, and when he returned the lady had completely forgotten her request. When he bent towards her to tell her, she said something in her ear which recalled with horror. Then, recovering from the shock she turned with cold, reluctant fury upon the hapless man who waited.

How dare you she cried; how dare you!

And it took the terrified waiter quite a time to explain why he had merely breathed the title of the piece so softly—"What Can I Do to Make You Love Me?"

Explained

Alfred was a kindhearted little boy though poor and rather ragged, and his teacher was much touched by his bringing her over a bunch of flowers. Sometimes they were beautiful hot-house blooms, sometimes they were only garden flowers, but always they were little tokens of love.

Still, what did that matter? The kind thought that prompted the gift was the thing that counted.

One day the bouquet consisted of orchids, and the teacher was more puffed than ever to guess how the boy had got them.

Alfred, said she, where do you get all these flowers from? You don't steal them, I hope.

Steal? Lor no, mum, replied Alfred. My father's duties up to me.

Drastic

I will, she exclaimed—I will not live with you another day.

You'll leave me, will you? he calmly asked.

Yes, I will.

When?

Now, this minute.

I wouldn't if it were you.

But I will, and I defy you to stop me.

Oh, I shan't try to stop you, he quietly replied. I will simply report to the police that my wife has mysteriously disappeared.

What a description and I will give it. You wear No. 3 shoes; you have an extra large mouth; your nose turns up at the end; eyes rather on the glint; voice like a—

There! you wouldn't dare do that, she screamed.

They glared at each other for a moment in silence. Then it was plain to see who was the victor.

A remarkable operation has been performed at the Oldham Infirmary, a man named William Cropper having been taken to the hospital with a large lump extracted from his eye by the aid of a powerful magnet. The sight of the eye is retained.

There is a young man in New York, Irving Berlin by name, who is known as the "Ragtime King." Three years ago he was a waiter in a restaurant, earning \$1 a week; now he has an income of \$100 a year, and is a millionaire on his ragtime melodies.

Carpet-weaving is one of the oldest industries in Serbia. The product is manufactured principally at Pirot, in South-Eastern Serbia, and the carpets are named after that place. The chief characteristics of these carpets are the use of dyes and colors of local dyes, which pride themselves that the process of dyeing and coloring is a secret transmitted by father to son, and is known only to the inhabitants of Pirot.

The area of Montenegro, who opened the present campaign is officially given as 2,525 square miles, considerably less than half the size of Wales.

From 1859, when they first successfully maintained their independence against Turkey, the Montenegrins—here and implacable foes—have waged almost incessant war against the Turks, their hereditary enemies.

Montenegro is allied to the third daughter of the reigning King, Nicholas I. (he has three sons and six daughters), having married the present King of Italy in 1898.

The Sultan of Turkey's harem is considered a permanent State institution. All children born in the harem, whether offspring of free women or of slaves, are legitimate and of equal lineage.

The population of Turkey consists of an extraordinary mixture of races. In European Turkey the Turks are about 2,000,000, the Greeks and Bulgarians 1,500,000, and the Albanians 1,500,000. In Asia the Turks are about 7,000,000, the Kurds 1,500,000, and the Armenians over 1,000,000; while the rest is made up of Syrians, Jews, Persians, Gipsies, Tartars and Circassians, etc.

In Turkey elementary education is nominally obligatory for boys from six to eleven years of age, and for girls from six to ten years of age, education being free. All schools are under Government control, but there is no interference with the religious education of the different communities.

Macedonia, which is the centre of the whole trouble—for Bulgaria, Serbia, Montenegro, and Greece believe that Turkey is so weakened by her wars with Italy and by internal dissensions that the moment is favorable to throw off the Turkish yoke under which their kinsmen and fellow-Christians are laboring have been battling and suffering for many years—the felt in the hands of the Turks in the sixteenth century.

To the north of Macedonia lie Bulgaria, Serbia, and Montenegro, with Greece on the coast. The population of the coast districts are Greeks, while in the interior Christian Bulgarians are the majority. The population in Macedonia for reforms in government, and the brutal oppression of the Christians by the Albanians, has recently been supported by the Turkish authorities, led to open revolution.

Its suppression, terrible atrocities were perpetrated by Turkish soldiers, whose villages were massacred, and fierce wars broke up on both sides. And in spite of a scheme of partial reform drawn up by the Powers the state of Macedonia is still very bad.

Turkey's army would be outnumbered in the field against the Balkan States. For total fighting force is 300,000. Bulgaria can place 235,000 men in the field, Serbia 110,000, Montenegro 30,000, and Greece 50,000; but it should be mentioned that Turkey has great reserves of efficient men.

True

Teacher was telling her class little tales of animal life, and she asked if anyone could tell her what a ground-hog was.

Up went a little hand, waving frantically. "Well, Carl, you may tell us what ground-hogs are, but I can't tell you what a groundhog is."

It was stated recently in a London County Court that \$500 had been paid for the goodwill of a street coffee stall.

Minard's Liniment Cures Cuts in Cows

There was an alarm of fire. Collect yourself said the husband.

I have, responded the wife. Here are my switches, my pads and my puffs.

Little Boston Black—What's a critic, ma?

Ma—a critic, ma, is an one who never approves of anything.

WESTERNER CURED OF KIDNEY TROUBLE

A Stubborn Case of This Painful Disease Cured After the Patient Took a Few Bottles of SANOL.

Steady but surely it has come to be recognized that the best remedy for kidney and bladder troubles is SANOL.

Canada and the medical profession that SANOL is the best remedy for kidney and bladder troubles.

It is a new and powerful medicine, and it is the only one that cures kidney and bladder troubles.

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Chinese Humors

To some persons Chineseness and Americanism stand as opposites. As a matter of fact, each race usually has its own peculiarities, but that they happen to be different from the way to which most of the world is accustomed.

What a story, but that way happens in China told a writer for a weekly paper a story which shows the grim side of the Chinese.

Consul had arrested him delinquents, intending to turn them over to the Chinese police, but he had sent them to the next morning. Meanwhile, he saved them into the custody of a Chinese policeman, and told him to lock them up, although there was no jail at the Consulate.

The police was equal to the emergency. He solemnly saluted, saying, I obey, and marched his men off.

Soon he returned and announced that they were safely caged.

The Consul was curious to see how and where. He followed a constable to the jail.

There he saw the nine prisoners dancing round the Consulate flagpole, singing and chanting the Chinese equivalent of "Ring a Ring a Rose!"

Whenever the dance showed signs of flagging the policeman stirred them up with a pole.

They seemed at first sight to be holding each other's hands, but, looking more closely, the Consul saw that they were handcuffed together.

Well said the Consul, if they are chained in a ring round the flagpole they certainly cannot get away. Why do you make them dance?

Ah, answered the Chinese policeman with infinite cunning, so that they cannot climb up the pole and escape.

The Consul broke into a loud British laugh and tried to explain that the prisoners could not all climb up the pole at once; but the Chinaman had his idea, and held to it. So the dance went on.

Like a Motor Car

A large German woman held up a long line of people at the motor car window in a post office the other day and all because her memory had failed her.

She was waiting for a man to come to her, a sailor on a merchant steamer then in foreign waters.

But when she stepped into the station at the window the clerk noticed the address was lacking.

Well, where do you want to send it? he asked. We can give you the money order unless you know the address of the person.

Yah, dot's do trouble, she replied. I didn't print his letter, and I can't remember it.

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Stranded

A party of Welsh colliers visiting London the other day lost their baggage, and their spokesman, walking up to a policeman, asked him: "What street is this, sir?"

This is the Strand.

A. W. 7181 St. Head, Strand, W.C.2.

What a story, but that way happens in China told a writer for a weekly paper a story which shows the grim side of the Chinese.

Consul had arrested him delinquents, intending to turn them over to the Chinese police, but he had sent them to the next morning. Meanwhile, he saved them into the custody of a Chinese policeman, and told him to lock them up, although there was no jail at the Consulate.

The police was equal to the emergency. He solemnly saluted, saying, I obey, and marched his men off.

Soon he returned and announced that they were safely caged.

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THE GROWTH OF THE BUSINESS OF THE BANK

Year	Paid up Capital	Reserve Fund and Undivided Profits	Total Assets	Total Liabilities
1900	\$6,000,000	\$2,650,080	\$17,008,304	\$20,583,521
1902	6,000,000	2,722,305	20,822,805	34,168,284
1904	6,000,000	3,218,059	25,900,153	39,082,572
1906	6,000,000	3,674,596	35,500,959	49,541,955
Nov. 30, 1908	6,000,000	4,400,907	41,327,872	56,508,625
1910	6,000,000	4,999,397	54,779,044	71,600,058
1911	6,000,000	5,458,878	63,494,580	81,928,961

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ises, one red steer, spring
calf, branded on left hip;
one red heifer-calf, white star
face, branded on right hip.
Reward.11-13 L. W. Davis,
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color red with a little white
branded thus on left side.
A suitable reward will
be given for information that
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WAINWRIGHT ALTA. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 1913

DURING the time that the old council board sat in office public works and other municipal improvements, authorized in council, were not looked after in a manner satisfactory to either the ratepayers or the councillors themselves. The reason for this was obvious. Councillors, who were at the same time businessmen, could not afford the time to leave their business for perhaps hours during the day to look after construction, which at times needed the strictest supervision. New improvements, however, have not suffered in any noticeable manner, but the STAR contends that these could have been supervised in a manner satisfactory to all concerned and a responsibility, which it is unjust that councillors should be compelled to bear, might have been placed on a common shoulder. A servant of the town, who could look after these matters and in turn paid something for his services, should have been appointed.

There is now some talk of increasing the town secretary's salary when the new council takes office, and it would appear that now would be a good time to combine the secretaryship with certain duties usually performed by commissioners. The secretary would then be responsible for periodical reports to council regarding municipal work and councillors would be relieved of the task of daily visiting such work and thereby losing part of the time which should be devoted to their particular line of business.

Tofield is a town wherein recent municipal improvements have been rather extensive and the town secretary is also the town commissioner. The commissioner is paid a salary of \$100 per month and has an assistant who receives \$80 monthly. He is responsible to the council for the carrying out of all orders decided on by the board and must make his reports periodically. The scheme has worked out very satisfactorily to the town and the councillors, who depend on the commissioner for the fulfillment of their orders. It is expected of him, for he is being paid a good salary for his services.

It would appear that Wainwright would be making no mistake by emulating the example of Tofield. There would be no need of an assistant to the town secretary, but it would be necessary to increase his salary which is now but \$80 per month. Responsibility could then be placed in the commissioner and the change would be a great deal more satisfactory. Whether or not the present secretary intends remaining in office next year is unknown. If he does and should petition for an increase in salary, which request would only come as a natural sequence, it would be well for the new mayor and Council to look into the manner in which Tofield has so satisfactorily conducted the office for the past year or more.

Wainwright is growing apace and is in need of the very best system obtainable in the management of the town's undertakings. The creation of an officer such as is suggested would appeal as a most reasonable one and one worthy of some consideration.

A new Mayor and six councillors, three of whom are untried men, now stand at the helm of municipal affairs, where, by virtue of their election by the ratepayers, they will remain for the next two years. The town's destiny remains to a great extent in their hands and the success or failure of their efforts remains at this time as a matter of pure conjecture.

For two years Wainwright's affairs have been administered in a manner which, at this time, appears to have been satisfactory. Errors, and some of them of a gross nature, have undoubtedly been made. This however, was expected when the first council was elected, for town planning and town building are tasks which demand more or less experience or experimenting, and under the circumstances the majority of ratepayers must agree that Mayor Pawling and his lieutenants made something more than the ordinary of their opportunities. To lay the corner-stone of the town was no mean task and responsible men were chosen to perform it. Mayor Pawling and Councillors Musson and Crawford were among these original patriots and credit is due them.

It behooves any citizen to resurrect the shortcomings of the council. Councillors have admitted their faults. The retiring Mayor has acknowledged mistakes. With the exit of these men from office, their value as public servants must be recognized, not entirely from the fact that they were faultless but from the standpoint of their conscientious efforts in the town's behalf. As they retire into private life, three others come forward to take up their responsibilities and it is to be hoped that they will prove themselves of as sound mettle as their predecessors.

NEW YEAR resolutions are now in order and the many firm declarations which are being made are of a varied and complex character. Some have promised themselves that 1913 will see many improvements in their personal actions over the year now left behind. Certain individuals will make such resolutions with no intention of ever living up to them, but will simply declare themselves because others are doing the same. On the other hand, many will start with a set determination of putting their resolutions into practice. But promises, and especially self-made promises, are easily made and soon forgotten and the result is that the individual is sometimes left even weaker than he was before. This will not prove the case, however, if an honest effort is made, for the individual will then emerge stronger and more fitted to attempt what might appear as an impossibility. Failure is no disgrace or crime, providing the aim springs from a lofty determination. This then is the real secret of New Year resolution.

CAPITALISTS INTEND TO DEVELOP 600,000 ACRES OF LAND

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Edmonton, Alta. Dec. 31st.—British capitalists are back of a plan to develop and settle 600,000 acres of mixed farming and ranching lands, bordering on the foothills of the Peace River country. Captain H. T. Munn of Toronto, who has just returned to Edmonton from the Peace River district, reports that the lands are adapted to various forms of agriculture. His report to the principals in London will show that dairying and cattle raising can be made highly profitable industries, also that there will be markets for all grain that can be grown. The district, he says, will be served by the Edmonton, Dunvegan & British Columbia and the Alberta, Peace River and Hudson's Bay railways and connections with transcontinental lines before the close of 1915.

NOTICE

We wish to call the attention of the Public in general to the fact, that we have not gone out of business, but just changed the location of our yard. You will now find us half a block West of the buffalo livery barn on Third Avenue where we will be pleased to welcome our customers and anyone wishing to buy building material. We have a good stock.

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LOST—Two bundles of shoes placed in wrong buggy, three weeks ago. Buggy stood at corner of Main St. and Second Avenue. Finder please return to William McNeen, Main St.

PIGS FOR SALE—Seven sows and six boars, together with six spring sows, all registered for sale by undersigned, William McNeen, Gift Edge, Alta. 12-14 Wainwright, P. O.

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Dr. J. W. McQueen, Dental, late of Strathcona, Alberta, of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons and of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons, Chicago, Ill., Wainwright, Alta. Office in Wainwright, near of Second Street and fourth Monday of each month.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. E. K. Smith, manager of the Union Bank of Canada here, returned to this town on Sunday after spending the holiday season with his brother in Calgary.

Mr. H. W. Love, manager of the Irma Co-Operative Company, was a business visitor here yesterday between trains. Mr. Love reports business as being very brisk at Irma.

The Wright building on Third Avenue, which was occupied as a restaurant, has been sold to Mr. J. Kirkpatrick, who will in turn open up a restaurant in the building.

The Masonic At Home on Friday evening last was a great success, practically every local member and a large number of visiting Masons and their wives being present.

Mrs. Baldwin, formerly of this town, is a visitor here this week. She is accompanied by her daughter, Lillian, both of whom have a host of warm friends here. They now reside in Edmonton.

Mr. Stanley McLuhan, who is in charge of the drug department at the Wainwright Pharmacy, left this afternoon for Edmonton, where he will spend New Year's with his brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. McIlwain and daughter, of Biggar, are guests of their old friends, the Hicker Brothers, this week at the Park Hotel. Mr. Roy Argue, of Biggar, is also visiting Messrs. Hacker Brothers.

An auction sale is being held at the farm of W. H. Wansmaker, near Prospect Valley, on January 11th. The sale will be cried by Messrs. Bowerman & Goulet, auctioneers.

Mr. Charles E. Brooks, who succeeded Mr. Bart Bell as locomotive foreman here, is now in Transcona, where he will be in charge of one of the departments in the new G. T. P. shops.

The next hockey game in the Northern G. T. P. Amateur League series will take place at Viking on Friday next, when the team from that town will clash with the local "Allstars".

Mr. Jack Lewis, who left here for Transcona to work in the G. T. P. shops, returned here last week and left for Winnipeg to-day. Mr. Lewis is awaiting the final settlement of the strike.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Henry and Mrs. W. B. Crawford are visiting at the home of Mr. Henry's parents in Calgary, and before their return here, will be guests of Mrs. Henry's sister, Mr. Thos Harrison.

"In five years from now," says Mr. Percy Ross, "and providing things go as we expect them, all mail to such large cities as Edmonton will be addressed via Wainwright."

The marriage of Miss Pearl Reid and Mr. Theodore Carbert will be solemnized here today by Rev. Thos. Philips, after which the happy couple will leave for Edmonton, where they will reside.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TO HAVE FINEST SET OF CHIMES IN THE WORLD

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 26th.—First Presbyterian church of Edmonton will be equipped early in 1913 with the largest and most costly set of tubular chimes in the world. Captain H. B. Watts, organist of the church, has just returned to the city from a tour of three countries, where he tested bells in the largest churches before placing the order in England. The chimes will be set up in the tower of the church as soon as the question of duty has been decided by custom house officials in Quebec. The congregation is one of the wealthiest in the prairie provinces and occupies a model structure on Fifth Avenue. Its first church was recently leased to the central departments of the municipality at an annual rental of \$11,000. This is more than was paid for the building site in 1905.

FOR SALE—Ten hen turkeys and one large gobbler for sale by the undersigned.

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FOR SALE—Three first class cows, fresh early in spring. For further particulars Apply.

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I write a few lines if only I can And tell you about my excellent plan. You'll find me out here on the Alberta plains Starving to death on a government claim.

Hurrah for this country the land of the free,

Home of the grasshopper, gopher and flea,

Oh I tell of its joys and sing of its fame

While starving to death on a government claim.

My mansion was built with unskilled toil

The walls are not erected according to Hoyle,

The roof has no pitch but is level and plain

And I'll sure get wet on my government claim.

Oh I have a good time, but not at my ease

On canned goods, crackers, old bacon and cheese,

Then come to this country, there's room for you all,

Where the winds never cease, and the rain seldom falls

Where the sun never sets but sweetly remains

Till it burns up the crops on our government claims.

Oh, how happy I feel on my government claim,

There is nothing will make a man so hard and profane

I've nothing to eat, and nothing to wear,

The mosquitoes possess both the water and air,

Its here I am settled and here I must stay,

My money is all gone, and I can't get away,

There's nothing to lose yet something to gain

While starving to death on my government claim.

My homestead duties with oxen begun,

Now the gasoline engine is easier to run,

Yet some of my old troubles still remain,

But I hope to get rich on my government claim.

Hurrah for this country where blizzards arise

Where the sun never sets, and the flea never dies.

Come join the chorus and sing of the fame

Of the "lad" who is struck on a government claim.

J. F. W.

PRETTY WEDDING NEAR EDGERTON

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bazley sec. 20-44-3 was the scene of a very pretty wedding at 10.30 Christmas morning, when Miss Mildred Mitchell, teacher of the Blooming Valley School for the past year, and Mr. Edward A. Seale of Battle View were united in marriage by the Rev. Mr. Pomeroy of Edgerton. The home was tastefully decorated with Christmas greens the ceremony taking place in front of the Christmas tree containing its load of presents. Mr. Geo. Seale, brother of the groom acted as best man while Miss Mabel Bazley and Miss Isabelle Powers as bridesmaids.

The bride was charmingly gowned in an all-over lace over cream silk and the groom wore the conventional black.

The pupils of the school and their parents were among the guests. The presents were all numerous and appropriate. The grooms present to the bride was a gold necklace with a pearl set pendant of beautiful design. The brides present to the groom being a black ribbon watch guard with a monogram engraved gold locket.

The ceremony was followed by a Christmas dinner after which Mr. and Mrs. Seale left on the afternoon train for a short trip to Edmonton. They will be at home after January 1st at Battle View where Mr. Seale is engaged in farming, he being one of the first settlers in that district. Their numerous friends wish them a long and happy life.

EXILE FROM RUSSIA SETTLES IN EDMONTON

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 31st.—Emile Petronovitch, a political exile, whose sensational escape from the salt mines at Saulrita, Siberia, was the talk of the two continents, recently, has come to Edmonton to make his home in the north country. Officers of the third section of the Russian police followed him to the eastern states and did not abandon the chase until the former prisoner landed on Canadian soil.

Petronovitch, whose father was an officer of the Royal Guard in St. Petersburg, was arrested in Moscow in the fall of 1903, while participating at a secret meeting of students, and was rushed to Siberia, where, according to his story, he and his fellows suffered unspeakable cruelties at the hands of the guards. His face and body show the effects of slashing with the knout. He said among other things:

"The chances of escape after getting out of the mines was hazardous in the extreme. The country is a barren waste and every man is an enemy, but an exile will not hesitate to take chances."

"I was assisted in escaping from a living death by some of my fellow prisoners, the night before six of them were led to the gallows to expiate a crime they had not committed, and returned to Moscow, where I was placed in hiding by my friends. Some time afterward I went to France and the first man I met in Paris was Solaski, the most feared police official in all Russia."

"He followed me to Liverpool and London. When I sailed for South America, landing in Buenos Ayres five weeks later, Solaski was there appealing for extradition papers. Thence I went to Cuba with the chief of the third section hard on my trail. Solaski followed me to New York, Boston, Philadelphia and only left when I landed in Montreal."

"The family estates were confiscated by order of the Czar after my arrest and two years afterward my father and mother died. I shall send for my sister, who was exiled to France under penalty for life imprisonment if she returned to Russia."

PROGRESS BEING MADE BY EDMONTON IS ASTONISHING

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 31st.—Building operations in Edmonton amounted to \$13,845,487 the first eleven months this year, an increase of 250 per cent over the twelve months in 1911. Contractors and architects estimate that more than \$23,000,000 will be invested in office, store and factory buildings and dwelling houses next year, if sufficient men and materials can be assembled at the opening of the season. Building contractors are paying from ten to fifteen cents an hour more than the regular schedules call for, because of the demand for skilled workmen, and it is predicted that the scale will be higher during 1913. Bank clearings show a gain of 150 per cent over 1911, and the various lines of retail business report proportionate increases. Heads of wholesale houses report gains of more than 100 per cent over 1911.

Mr. John D. Kaine, one of the proprietors of the Wainwright Hotel who has an employment agency in the city of Edmonton, is here this week.

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